

**MINUTES
OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE
EDINA CITY COUNCIL
HELD AT CITY HALL
AUGUST 31, 2010
5:30 P.M.**

ROLLCALL Answering rollcall were Members Bennett, Brindle, Housh, Swenson and Mayor Hovland. Staff present: Ceil Smith, Assistant to the City Manager.

Mayor Hovland explained the purpose of the meeting was to deliberate on the hiring of the City Manager. The mayor noted that he had spoken with Harry Brull earlier who suggested that a straw vote be taken before a discussion would begin as to the City Manager selection. Each Member wrote on a single piece of paper their choice for the next City Manager. The Mayor collected the votes. The Mayor looked at each vote and noted that Mr. Scott Neal had received five votes.

Member Housh made a motion, seconded by Member Brindle that the Council extend an offer of employment to Mr. Scott Neal as the new City Manager subject to the negotiation of a contract with Mr. Neal acceptable to the Council. The Council designated Mayor Hovland and Council Member Swenson as the Council negotiating team to work with Mr. Neal to formulate a City Manager contract acceptable to the City and Mr. Neal. The Council requested the contract negotiations begin as soon as possible.

Ayes: Bennett, Brindle, Housh, Swenson, Hovland

Motion carried.

Mayor Hovland adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ceil Smith, Assistant to the City Manger

Minutes approved by Edina City Council, September 7, 2010.

James B. Hovland, Mayor